

# CMWIC News for January 2026

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## A message from our President: Pamela Berg

Happy New Year to all of our members!! We have much to look forward to in 2026, including our fun Giant Indoor Yard Sale in April and our creative annual May Tea!! Maybe this is the year that you choose to join more club activities, like crafting, book club, Ladies Who Lunch, or perhaps lead a field trip or walking group with club friends. Warm wishes for excellent health and outstanding adventures for each of you in the new year!

**ALERT:** Our Club or members will never solicit funds, gift cards etc. so delete any suspicious emails.

**January 6, First Tuesday, Noon, Brown Bag Lunch Presentation, CM Community Center**  
Cheryl Longinotti will discuss her recent trip to Ukraine on behalf of DrivingUkraine.org. With a convoy of volunteers, she drove **1381 miles over 3 days** to deliver a truck that went to the front line for medical rescue and supply. After delivery, she spent 7 days in Lviv, Ukraine's fifth largest city. Bring your bag lunch but save room for syrnyky. (Ukrainian cheese cakes). The entire community is invited for this special event so don't hesitate to spread the word and bring friends.



**January 13, 10:30am, CM Community Center.** Planning meeting for Board members and anyone else who'd like to attend. Ideas are always welcomed.

**January 13, noon. Potluck luncheon. CM Community Center.** Our speaker is former Marinite, Alison Owings, journalist turned oral historian and author of Mayor of the Tenderloin, among other books. The book, which the San Francisco Chronicle called a "richly satisfying tapestry," is about Del Seymour, a man who transformed his life from 18 years of homelessness, addiction, and drug dealing in San Francisco's Tenderloin district into becoming a respected advocate and leader, founding the Code Tenderloin job training program to help others overcome similar struggles. Alison will discuss her background and how she came to write Mayor of the Tenderloin, including her research and the obstacles she faced. If you wish to purchase the book, she will be bringing copies to sell.

**January 20, Tuesday, 11am – Noon. Craft Hour. CM Community Center.** Make hangtags or bookmarks from cardboard using cereal boxes and Kleenex boxes... add pressed leaves, flowers or weeds and also pages from old or used books. They make sweet little Valentine gifts.



**“Don’t Trash Rehash”**

**RSVP** to Vini. \*\* [designvc@comcast.net](mailto:designvc@comcast.net) \*\*

**January 20, Tuesday, Noon - 2:00pm, Canasta. CM Community Center** Come to open play and practice canasta with your friends. Bring cards, if you have them.

**January 20, Tuesday, 4pm, Women Who Love Wine. Zinz Wine Bar, 207 Corte Madera Ave.** Schmooze and sip responsibly with fellow Club members at our popular local haunt. Contact Bonnie Roberts to **RSVP** [\\*\\*drpampers@yahoo.com\\*\\*](mailto:drpampers@yahoo.com)

**January 27, Tuesday, 11:00 to 12:00. Knitting. CM Community Center** Bring your projects or come get inspiration. Yarn and needles available. You may choose to donate to Kaiser Palliative care or pediatrics or oncology. Questions or to get on the reminder list, email: [linda.varonin@gmail.com](mailto:linda.varonin@gmail.com).

**January 27, 2026, Tuesday, 1pm, Book Group, CM Community Center.** [A Spool of Blue Thread](#) by Anne Tyler

February	<a href="#"><u>The Frozen River</u></a> by Ariel Lawhon
March	<a href="#"><u>James</u></a> by Percival Everett
April	<a href="#"><u>After the Party</u></a> by Lisa Jewell
May	<a href="#"><u>We will be Jaguars</u></a> by Mitch Anderson and Nemonte Nenquimo
June	to be announced

**January 29, Thursday, 12:30pm, Ladies Who Lunch, DJ's, 435 Magnolia, Larkspur, **RSVP:****  
[judisheridanrn@gmail.com](mailto:judisheridanrn@gmail.com)

**Ongoing: Community support for La Casa Buena, A Homeward Bound Residence**

La Casa Buena: Always appreciate blank greeting cards, toiletries, and magazines.

Email; [Linda.varonin@gmail.com](mailto:Linda.varonin@gmail.com) for more information. Or bring donations to a Tuesday luncheon.

**We had a GREAT Holiday Party!**



# GIANT INDOOR YARD SALE (GIYS) 2026 DONATION GUIDELINES

Please donate items that you would be willing to buy in clean and working condition. Due to limited space, we may decline large items or items which we cannot sell. Your donations make our scholarships possible.

## What we are looking for:

- Small Household Items – Home Accessories, kitchenware of all kinds, linens, lamps, dishware, glasses and pots. Sorry, no pillows.
- Clothing and Accessories in Excellent Shape – Women’s, Men’s, and Children’s including shoes, belts, scarves
- Jewelry both costume and fine
- Artwork and Art Supplies
- Children’s Toys, Books, and Games - No adult books please

## We cannot accept the following:

- No Electronics or Large Appliances such as computers, monitors, TVs or microwaves
- No Perishables – no food, cosmetics, or broken or stained items
- No Children’s strollers, cribs, high chairs, or car seats
- No Furniture or Large Heavy Items such as sofas, mattresses, blinds, or ceiling fans
- No large exercise equipment like skis, stationary bikes, treadmills

Donations accepted Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> - 11:30AM - 5:00PM at the front entrance of Corte Madera Community Center – 498 Tamalpais Dr.

The 2026 GIYS is Saturday, 4/11/26 from 9-3 \$10 Early Bird access 8AM.

Questions to: [yardsale@cortemaderawomensclub.org](mailto:yardsale@cortemaderawomensclub.org)

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